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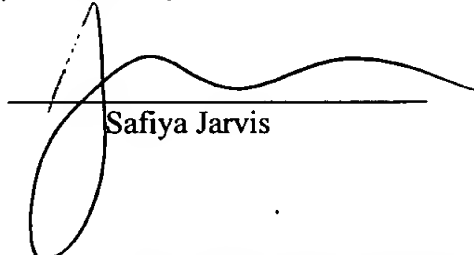
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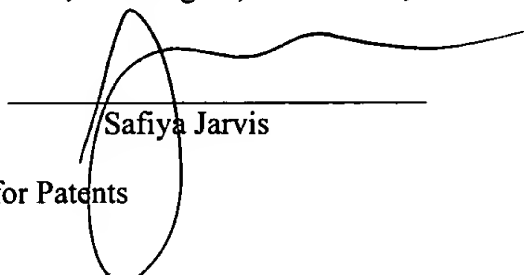
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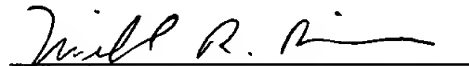
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In keeping with the duty of candor and good faith owed to the Patent and Trade-mark Office, Applicants wish to bring to the Examiner's attention the references listed on the accompanying form PTO-1449. A copy of each listed reference is enclosed.

To the extent required by 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(3), Applicants have described what they consider to be the relevance of any foreign-language reference. It is understood that the Office may find additionally relevant material in these or other references.

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